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WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Holiday Deadline

Due to the Christmas holiday, deadline for the Dec. 30 issue will be 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23.

Santa hits the surf

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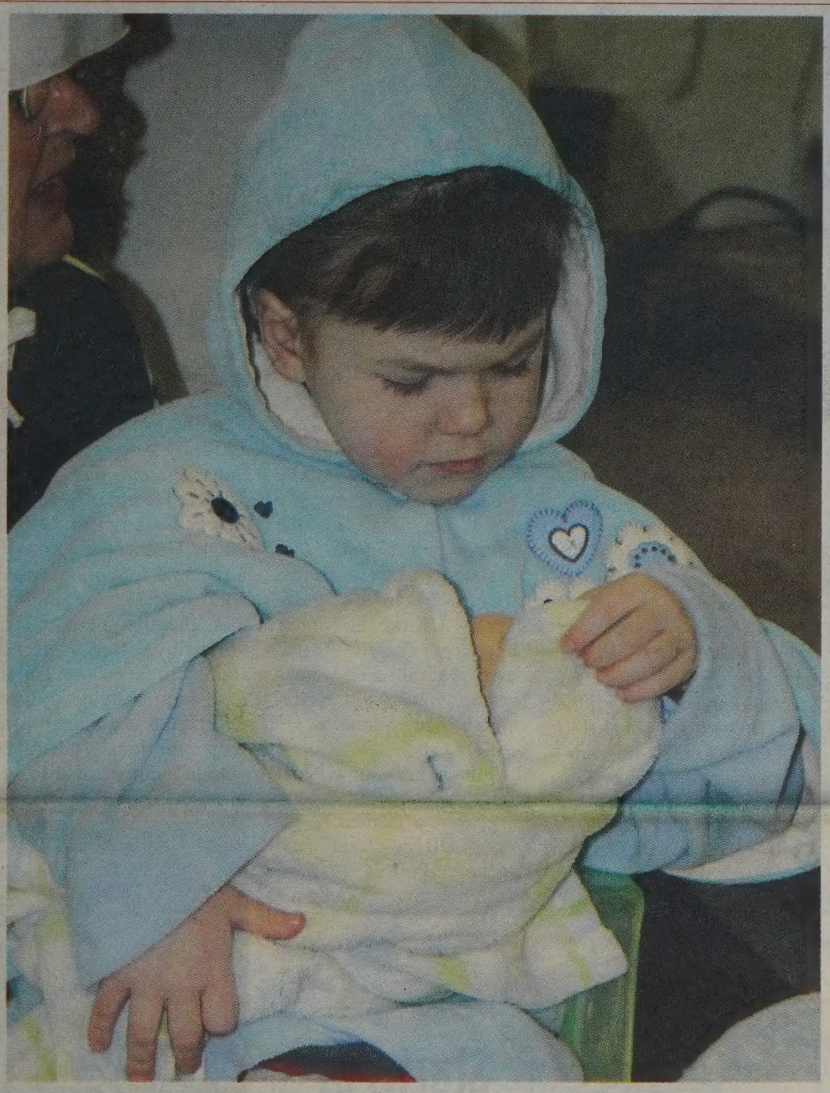
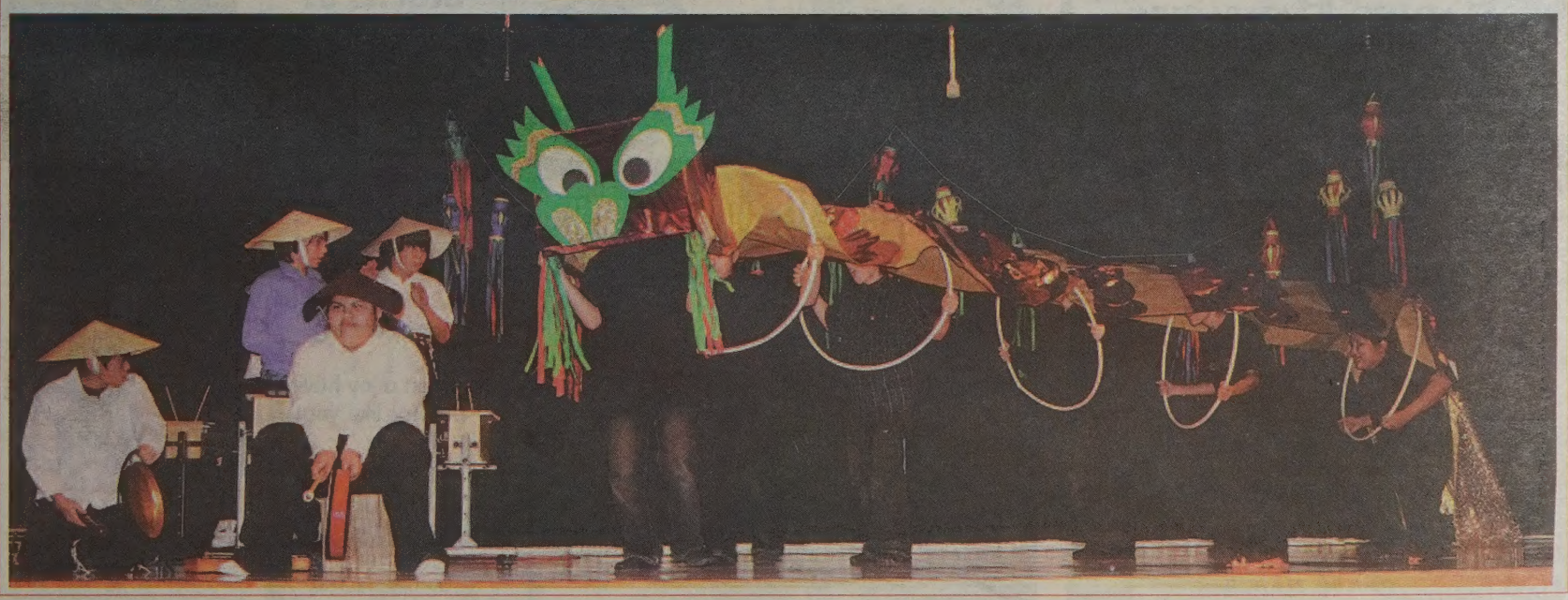


Vicki Brooker photos

Christmas in Elk Point

The festive season is upon us, with a full slate of activities packed into the final weeks before Christmas - concerts at schools and churches, a dance recital, and visits from Santa in sometimes unexpected places. From the miniscule Mary (left) at the Christian Community Church Nativity pageant to the handsome Tin Soldiers (above) at the Dance Education Elk Point First Annual Winter Performance, to the magnificent lion propelled by dancers through the Chinese winter festival section of Elk Point Elementary School's Wednesday concert, there's little doubt that Christmas is truly for kids. More on all three events, and others, in this issue.



First annual winter performance for dancers

Vicki Brooker photos

Sugarplum fairies swooped through their routine at last Saturday's crowd-pleasing performance of Dance Education Elk Point at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church.

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

Dance Education Elk Point (DEEP) students thrilled two packed audiences of proud parents, grandparents and siblings on Saturday, Dec. 13 with their First Annual Winter Performance.

With only five classes behind them this season, the dancers spun, leaped and swooped through six numbers, following a vocal solo by Olivia Leaf, who sang, "It's a Warm and Fuzzy Tim of Year."

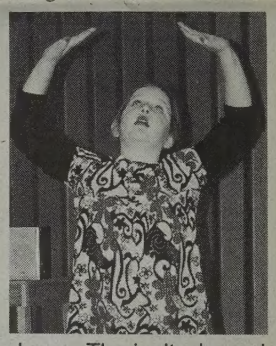
Dancers Jadey Capjack, Colby Havener, Dakota Havener, Joycel Marks, Spencer McNamara, Kendra Porcina, Abby Rybchinsky, Odin Smith and Josef Theriault performed a delightful "Twinkle, Twinkle," holding sparkly stars as they danced to the favourite nursery tune.

Alex Duffee, Emma Ellerton, Ethan Hampson, Kaden LaFrance, Janus Lundberg, Charlie Rogal, Hank Rogal and Jorja Theriault marched smartly through their routine as Tin Soldiers.

Quite in keeping with the wintry day outdoors, Shelby Berg, Renae Cameron. Tia Dore, Olivia Leaf and Kaylee Poitras swept through St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church auditorium in a flurry of fleet footwork.

Filmy wings wafted Sugar Plum Fairies Tenille Ballas, Georgia Bendixen, Macey Drobot, Erin Duffee, Paige Henderson, Brittany Lawrence, Catherine Noftall and Kolbie Poitras through their charming number.

Shelby Berg, Renae Cameron. Tia Dore, Olivia Leaf and Kaylee Poitras returned as a quintet whose stiff motions portrayed "Dolls" come to life, to bring the concert to an end.



Jesse Theriault danced an imaginative solo to "The Carol of the Bells."

Hope It's Very Merry!

With warm wishes for a joyous and bright holiday to you and your kin this season.

Your continued support is appreciated.

Happy Holidays!

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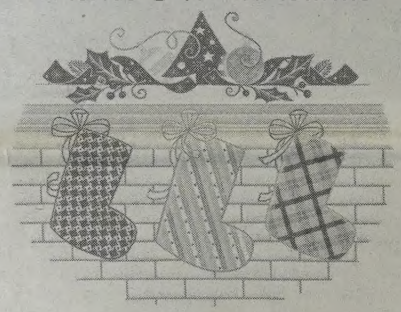
Yards Of Warm Wishes At Christmas



Here's hoping everything is full of joy and beauty this holiday season. Thanks for doing business here "sew" easy for me.

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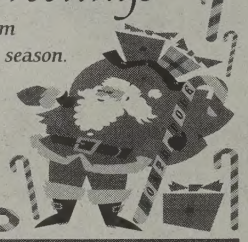

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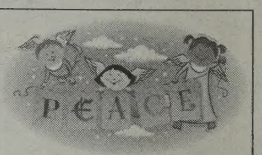

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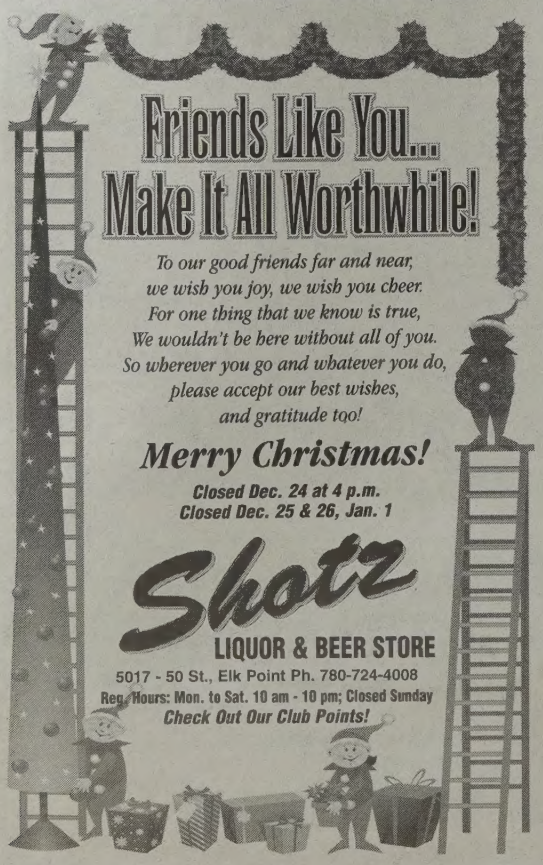

Greetings Of The Season

May peace, joy, harmony and contentment visit your home during this special time of the year. For visiting us, we are sincerely grateful and look forward to your continued friendship.

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The stars came out to play in this number by the DEEP group's smallest dancers, who used hoola hoops as their base markers for the imaginative dance.

The Sugarplum Fairies rested up after their performance as they watched the senior dancers portray the stiff motions of dolls who suddenly come to life at the DEEP Winter Performance on Saturday, Dec. 13..

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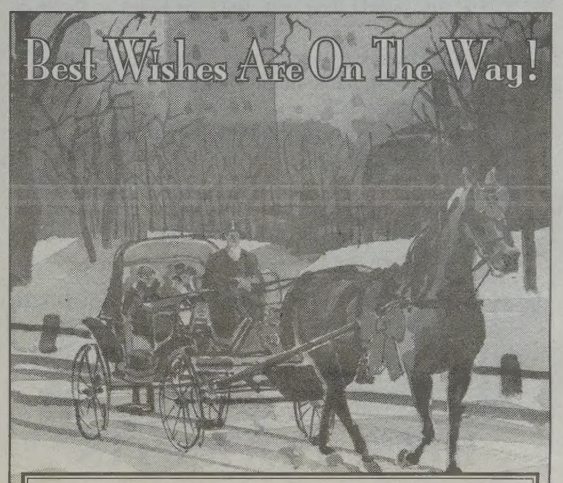

As another season comes galloping in, we're ready to deliver our best wishes to our many supporters, and hope that you enjoy a simply one-of-a-kind holiday season.

Thanks for including us in your travels this past year.

Allen, Sherry & Staff of

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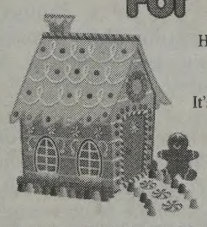

How sweet it is, to find ourselves right here at the holidays, amongst good friends and neighbours like you.
It's been a real treat for us to serve you, and we wish you all the trimmings of a truly spectacular holiday season.

Your friends at the

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Merry Christmas

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Happy Holidays!

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Adrian, Shannon & Family

Comment

Surviving holidays ...more or less

By Alex Buck
F. G. Miller High School

The weather is cold, the air bites, and wallets ache. Yes, Christmas is coming. During the coldest part of our year our calendars become booked solid with shopping, planning, and plotting.

Clawing through our wrapping paper to get at our gifts, we sometimes break face with the charitable nature of the holidays. It becomes easy to forget why we decide to do this balancing act each year. We do it to spend time with each other.

Surviving the holidays with our families can be a challenge in itself. With tensions hot and paycheques burned, it can be a single misplaced comment over an unwanted gift or a burned cookie that turns the temperature up on your Christmas.

Here's some advice on what not to say.

— Didn't I give you this last year?
— Oh....it's extra large.
— Do you still have the receipt?
— You really should have put more air holes in the puppies' box.
—So you boys think you can share that gift?
— I love it.. but Grandma might find it more useful.
—What is this thing...?!
—Maybe it'll look better once I put my glasses on.
— I already have one.
— Oh cool....a book...

Go for the high road and turn the other cheek this Christmas. And you might manage to survive until New Year's.

Way Back When...

New mayor, fine arts, concerts

Here's the news that made the headlines of the Lakeland Review and Elk Point for the week of Dec. 23 in...

1988

Ed Buck was sworn in as Elk Point's new mayor after the Dec. 14 by-election, giving Elk Point its first full council in two years. Donna Dahmer was among candidates seeking the Beaver River Progressive Conservative nomination for the upcoming by-election to replace her late husband.

1993

Shamrock Valley Enterprises won the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year award, presented by Canada Post. Talent ran rampant at F. G. Miller High School's pre-holiday Fine Arts Night, where young local songwriter Travis Pankiw thrilled his fellow students and their parents with three of his original songs.

1998

Water treatment plant upgrading topped Town Council's priorities for infrastructure improvements. Even the Christmas Grump wore a smile at Elk Point Elementary School's dual concerts, where a Jamaican celebration featured a Jingle Bells macarena dance and a huge collection of stuffed animals were distributed to local emergency services workers to distribute to children in times of distress.

2003

No less than 28 cousins arriving on a rusty John Deere made Elk Point Elementary's Thursday concert "One Crazy Night," a hilarious encore to Wednesday's concert, when Five Star General Comet Powell added his brilliance to the manger scene in "Once Upon a Starry Night." Town council, the chamber of commerce and officials of CNRL held a very positive meeting to discuss to discuss concerns of some local businesses working for the oilpatch giant, and agreed to set up a joint committee to address these matters.

Guest Column

O little town

deanna **EASTHOPE**
from the FCSS desk

Christmas is only a few days away. May all of you have a very Merry Christmas. As we think about Christmas do all of you remember the Christmas Carol – "O Little Town of Bethlehem"? Of course you do. This carol takes us back two thousand years – to the "little town of Bethlehem," where a miraculous gift has just been given to the world. A casual observer would at first sense nothing out of the ordinary. But as Christians, we look back on that night in awe and expectation.

The carol's author, Phillips Brooks, was a Harvard-trained minister whose dynamic and Christ-centered sermons brought him great popularity. He traveled widely during his lifetime, and he based his Christmas carol and its picture of Bethlehem on memories of an 1865 visit to the Holy Land. During these travels he arranged to spend Christmas in Bethlehem. On Christmas Eve, he visited the field where according to tradition the shepherds heard the angelic proclamation. He then attended services in the Church of the Nativity. Afterwards he wrote a letter to the children of his Sunday School in Philadelphia, to whom he was exceptionally devoted, telling them of "standing in the old church in Bethlehem, close to the spot where Jesus was born, when the whole church was ringing hour after hour with the splendid hymns of praise to God."

These vivid memories remained with Phillips Brooks. In 1868 he wrote this carol text that embodies his lifelong devotion to the divine sonship of Jesus Christ. Lewis H. Render, the superintendent of Reverend Brooks's Sunday School and also the church organist, set the text to music. An editor later named the tune ST. LOUIS, deriving this name from the composer's first name.

Most printed copies of this carol quote only the first three verses. Originally it had two more, though Phillips Brooks himself later withdrew the fourth. Many hymnals include the fifth verse today, printing it as verse four. These are the original verses four and five:

Where children, pure and happy,
Pray to the Blessed Child;
Where misery cries out to thee,
Son of the Mother mild;
Where charity stands watching,
And faith holds wide the door,
The dark night wakes, the glory breaks,
And Christmas comes once more.

O holy Child of Bethlehem!
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us to-day.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel.

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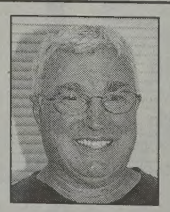
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Santa's first on-line adventure

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

A reluctant Santa, declaring his handwritten list was every bit as good, learned the benefits of going on-line in Elk Point Elementary School's first of two concerts last week.

After a welcome from principal Lorne Young, and O Canada led by Brooke Gormley, the show began with songs by Mrs.' Wood's KA and Mrs. Fodchuk's KC classes, who "Rocked Around the Christmas Tree," and declared, "Christmas Time is Santa Time."

After winners of the ECS Christmas draws claimed their prizes, MCs Carson Ference and Leanna Gibson invited everyone to sit back and enjoy "an around-the-wold adventure."

Santa and his techno-elf, along with a pair of Mrs. Roche's Grade 6 students glumly contemplating their winter internet project, were happy to discover a wealth of information about winter celebrations around the world, with just a few clicks of the mouse.

Learning about the Christmas customs of Denmark, where a cheery group of Mrs. Buryn's 1As sang "Jingle Bells" and wished the audience "God Jul," helped to persuade Santa to get a home page and e-mail.

The same group were part of the next electronic visit, this time to Germany, origin of the Christmas tree, a number of traditional carols and the custom of St. Nicholas Day, as the audience enjoyed "O Christmas Tree," "Away in a Manger," and with the fabled Saint and his stick-carrying assistant on hand, wound up with an action-filled tribute to "Jolly Old St. Nicholas."

Santa had some problems with his Italian list last year, and set off a round of bad behaviour among that country's children, the techno-elf said, suggesting he find out how bad by checking Italy's home page. Strangely, he didn't find any misbehaviour, but he did discover that the Nativity scene originated there. Narrators from Miss Ockeman's and Mrs. Lindquist's 3A class read the scripture verses as Mary and Joseph with the baby Jesus were joined by shepherds, angels, a glowing star and three majestic kings, who all came together in a song of rejoicing. In Italy, gifts are traditionally given on Jan. 6, and instead of Santa, tradition states that an old woman, Bafana, is the one who brings gifts to children on her never-ending search for the baby Jesus.

Half-way around the world, the techno-travelers checked in on Mexico, where market stalls sell crafts, food, flowers and pinatas in preparation for the Christmas season. Mrs. Jenner's 2A students portrayed the celebration of La Posada, with people grouped into pilgrims, who go door to door asking for a place to stay, and innkeepers, who turn them away, until they come to the house where a Nativity is set up. There they celebrate by breaking a pinata, doing a lively hat dance and singing "Feliz Navidad."

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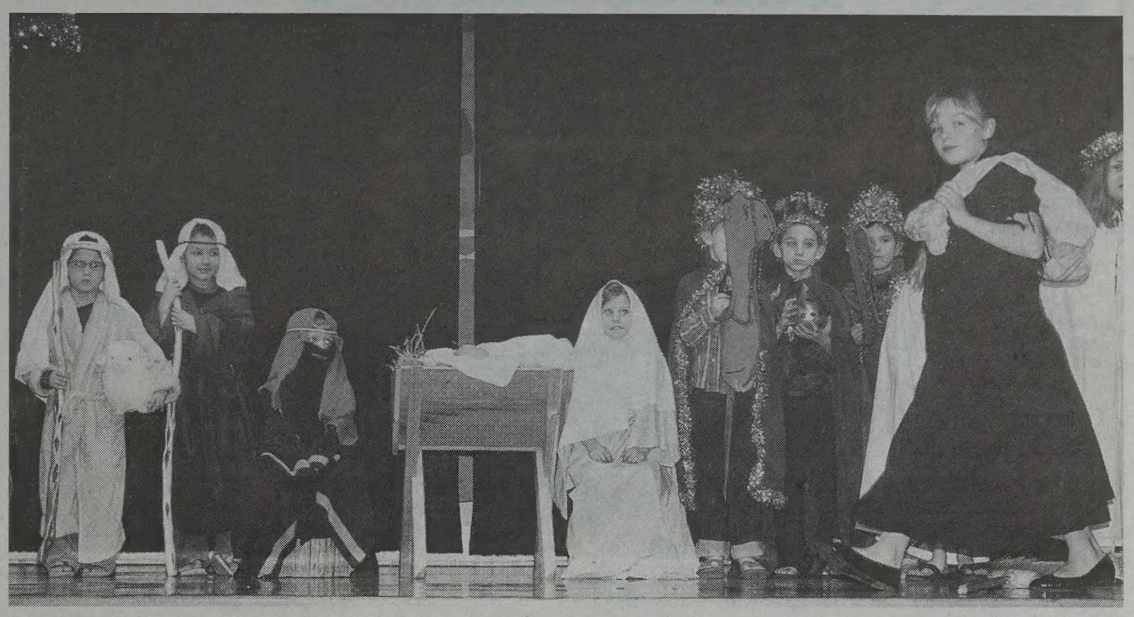
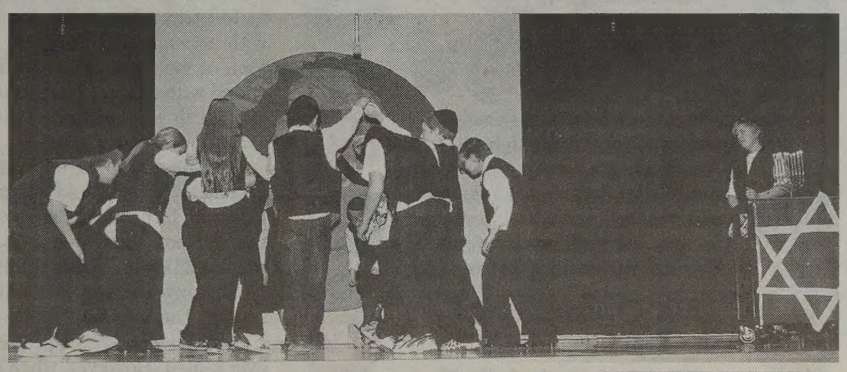


Vicki Brooker photos

The old woman, Bafana, strides through the Italian countryside at Christmas, looking for the ever-elusive baby Jesus.



A lively Hanukkah dance and light from eight bright candles of the menorah are part of winter celebrations in Israel.

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To Our Good Friends, Everywhere!
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Peace
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Hope your holiday has it all!
Elk Point Elementary School Staff and Students

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GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

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Holiday customs around the world range from the visit from St. Nicholas and his stick-carrying sidekick to children in Germany (left) to the breaking of a colourful pinata in Mexican homes (right) as part of the festivities surrounding Christmas.

On-line adventure

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Other celebrations are also the part of the winter months.

The Chinese New Year celebration is a colourful one. Drums, and cymbals accompanied a magnificent dragon dance, while rhythms tapped out on xylophones accompanied a graceful ribbon dance by three young ladies from Mrs. Roche's Grade 6A class.

In Israel, Hanukkah is an eight-day celebration of lights, with an additional candle lit in each family's menorah for each of the days, and eight nights of gifts for the children. Along with a solemn religious ceremony, portrayed in song, Hanukkah was celebrated with singing and dancing by Ms Capjack's 5A students.

The final stop on the round-the-world investigation of customs was jolly old England, where Miss Grabas' 4A ladies in furry muffs and gents in bowler hats cheerfully sang, "Here We Come A-Wassailing," along with another traditional carol, "Deck the Halls."

The investigating students decided to check one last source of information, and e-mailed Santa.

"They want MY help?" he exclaimed, reading his first-ever e-mail. However, when he found out he could reply to all those letters without ever licking a stamp, he admitted that, "Computers might be a help after all."

The older students joined Santa, the techno-elf and the investigating students in singing "The Alleluia Chorus," before Grades 1, 2 and 3 joined them in the traditional "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

Christmas Greetings

Christmas is here, and we hope the season delivers much happiness and good fortune to you and yours!

We appreciate the year-round support of good friends like you, and we wish you all the best at Christmastime and throughout the new year.

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Happy Holidays

As we welcome this season of peace and joy, our thoughts turn to the many good folks who have blessed us with their generosity and support, and we wish you all the very, merriest season followed by a happy and prosperous year.

Elk Point B.P.O.E.
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Elk Point O.O.R.P.
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for a Very Merry Christmas
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happy holidays

Even Santa needs to take a breather!

Enjoy your time with your family and friends over the season.

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George, Jackie, family and staff wish you all the best for 2009!

See you January 19, 2009

Ho...Ho...Hold The Press–
It's Christmas!

Before we wrap up another holiday edition, we'd like to give you our greetings right here in colour, along with our gratitude for your loyal readership. Happy Holidays

From Vicki & Mel at the
Elk Point REVIEW
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Merry CHRISTMAS FRIENDS!

Special holiday wishes to my "White Mouse"

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FROM YOUR LOCAL
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With Our Appreciation At This Season Of Joy...

As we fondly recall memories of Christmases past, we realize that there's no time like the present to acknowledge all the people who have brought so much joy to us, and hope that the Christmas to come will leave you with the very brightest memories of all!

Very Merry Greetings
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What? No Christmas?

By Pastor Jim MacLellan
Elk Point Baptist Church

It's a familiar note in most Christmas plays, isn't it? Too much snow! Not enough snow! The toy-making is behind schedule! It's as predictable as Timex — somewhere in the play we are faced with the devastating news that Santa won't make it this year. But hold on to your reindeer – he always comes through! Our national media has picked up the same refrain. The unpredicted and unwanted financial recession of 2008 is singing the same song: Christmas is not going to be the same for many families this year.

What if there was no Christmas? No, I mean it! What if there had never been a Christmas? What if there had never been a boy named Jesus born in Bethlehem nearly 2000 years ago? What if there was no Mary; no Joseph; no angels; no shepherds; or no wise men? What if ....

This year, one of the books that impacted me greatly was How Christianity Changed the World (by Alvin J. Schmidt); and another of the same kin: What if Jesus Had Never Been Born? (by D. James Kennedy). Both offer answers to this question: What if there had never been Christmas?

Attacking Christianity has become a favorite pastime of many people. There are a number of accusations that land squarely on the "guilty" verdict. But rarely do we hear of people asking the honest, intelligent, historically-rooted question, "What if there had never been a Christmas?" Let me summarize a few things that these men substantiate in their research:

For you who are in hospital, thank God for Christianity. Christians started hospitals in the Middle Ages.

For you students that are coming home from university for the holidays, remember it was Christians who launched literacy and educational institutions.

For all you entrepreneurs – it was Christians who foresaw in the Bible the ethics of free enterprise.

For Americans and Canadians, thank God for Christians who sought to obey God and not only discover but develop the "New World".

For you who will receive help from others this Christmas Season, remember the Good Samaritan story.

One of the important results of Christianity is the fact that I get to write this article and some of you get to disagree with me. Freedom of religion and civil liberties are Christian initiatives! But the quintessential reason we ought to thank God for Christmas, is that in this miracle of the Season, He has given you and I the opportunity to believe in His Son and not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).

On behalf of the congregation of Elk Point Baptist Church, I wish you a very thankful Christmas Season. He did come! He was born! He lived and died! He rose again and ascended back to Heaven! He is coming again! We do have Christmas! And we do have great Hope! (For more information or to comment: www.elkpointbaptistchurch.org)

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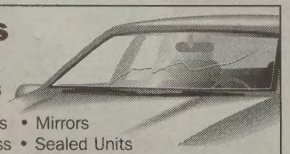

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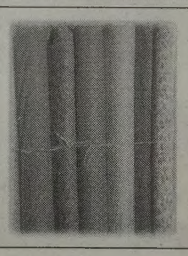

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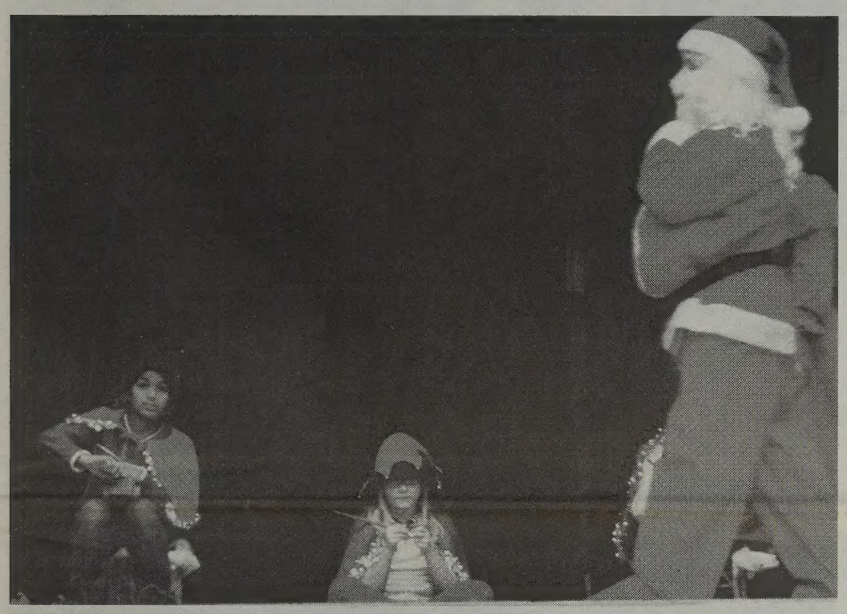
Surfin' Santa checks out sunnier climate

Diane Dewan photos

"If Only I Can Make it Throrugh The Winter" is a popular train of thought these days, and is also one of seven songs that were a part of Thursday's concert presentation, "Surfin' Santa." After all, who can blame him for wanting to hang ten in the tropical sunshine instead of dodging icicles and climbing down ice-crusted chimneys in the dark of a long winter's night?



Santa's pacing the toyshop as winter doldrums have him in their grip.

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

Elk Point Elementary School's 'B' classes chose an old favourite for this year's Thursday concert, bringing back the surf-and-sand hit that thrilled the audience at the 2001 concert.

Who can blame Santa for dreaming of a warm Christmas? Living at the North Pole and navigating in often bad weather as he makes his way around the world on Christmas Eve would certainly bring a person to daydreaming about a much warmer place to spend the holidays.

Winning a big lottery gave him a good excuse to head south, but it wasn't really a good time to abandon the toyshop, because a hostile takeover puts the annual toy delivery in jeopardy.

It's fortunate that Mrs. Claus is keeping an eye on things, and straightens out the situation in the nick of time, with help from Santa's elves and two young friends.

Ho-Ho-Tow!

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Christian Community Church celebrates Nativity

Vicki Brooker photos

An angel choir proclaims Jesus' birth (above) at the Christian Community Church Nativity pageant on Dec. 14. Later, angels, shepherds and wise men brought gifts to the Holy family's newborn Prince of Peace.

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If you knew the gift!

By Pastor Bill Kryzanowski
Elk Point Christian Community Church

As 2008 comes to a close, we find ourselves in another very busy Christmas season. Preparation for Christmas programs, family gatherings, Christmas shopping a host of other things.

To most people Christmas is a most happy time, but to others, just another season.

If one would ask, almost everyone would tell you that Christmas is the celebration of Jesus' birth. Yet His birthday is celebrated so differently from any other. Normally the person with the birthday receives the gifts, but not so with Jesus' birthday. As I was thinking about this I wondered what Jesus would want for his birthday if we wee to ask Him. A verse of scripture in the gospel of John 4:10 came to my mind. (Please read the whole chapter to get the real meaning of this verse.)

"And Jesus answered and said to her, "If you know the 'gift' of God and who it is who says to you, give me a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

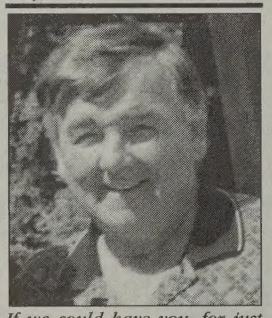
The gift Jesus mentioned here was eternal life. John 3:16 tells us, "God so loved us so much, that he allowed his son Jesus to come into this world, live a perfect sinless life, died on a cross, was resurrected on the third day, ascended into heaven and there He sits at the right hand of God as our intercessor. This living water Jesus offered the new Samaritan women was the same new birth offered to Nicodemus in John 3. He offered this new birth to all who will repent of their sins and believe in Him as Saviour and Lord. In Acts 4:12, we read these words:" Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Why not make this Christmas the best one ever by receiving the greatest gift of all, eternal life! Take some time this Christmas to read the beautiful Christmas story in Luke 2. As you ponder the birth of Jesus (God's love gift to us) I trust you will have more than a Merry Xmas. May you have a very blessed and joyous Christmas.

Remember, Jesus is the reason for the season!

IN MEMORIAM

EWASIUK, Raymond
Sept. 12, 1940-Dec. 26, 2006



If we could have you, for just one day
We would hug you and hold you, and say,
"Come this way"
"We have so much to show you,
So much to catch up on."

We would ask for your approval, and
Advice to move forward on.

If we could have you, for just one day,
We would say, "We love you and miss you,"
There are so many things we would like to do with you,
"We wish that you could stay."

Lovingly remembered by Levina, Valerie, Bill, Athena, Savanna, Darryl & Lucie.

IN MEMORIAM

In Loving Memory of
NAZARCHUK, Roman
1894 - Dec. 30, 1978
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What we would give if we could say
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To sit and talk with them a while.
Put your arms around them GOD and
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Lovingly remembered by Ed and Rose.

IN MEMORIAM

STAFFORD, Pete

In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather who passed away December 25, 2006.

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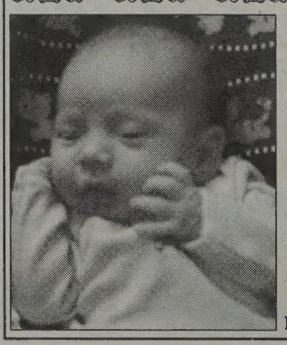

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Bird count on again

By Paul E. Boisvert

Birders and nature enthusiasts in the Town and County of St. Paul will join birders across the western hemisphere and participate in Audubon's longest running wintertime tradition, the 109th annual Christmas Bird Count (CBC). This year over 2000 individual counts are scheduled to take place throughout the Americas and beyond.

For the fourth consecutive year birders in the St. Paul count area can participate in two different counts. Beginning on December 14 and running through to January 5, any birder can begin counting birds in what we call the Greater County of St. Paul Winter Bird Count. Birders can select the time and days that are convenient to them. The count can be done at any location in the County (including towns and villages). Birders can do field or feeder observations or a combination of both. All that is required is that a record of the species and numbers be kept along with the dates and general location (i.e. Ross Lake) of the observations carried out.

Then on December 20, those birders who want to participate in the Audubon CBC, carry out their observations on that day only. Again the number of birds counted is reported by species along with the general location where they were observed. If possible Range and Township Road identification is good for the County and street addresses in the townsites.

Any interested birder can participate in either one of the counts or in both if they so choose. Forms on which your counts can be reported are available at the Town of St. Paul Community Services office. Those who have e-mail can contact hawkowl4@telus.net (note that is 4 not 14) and forms will be sent to you. More information can be obtained by contacting the e-mail address given or by calling Paul at 780-645-3409 (evenings only please).

Birding is an excellent activity for persons of all ages and abilities. You need not be an expert to participate in either of these events. And, when you don't know what to do with the visiting relatives, create a friendly family birding competition!

As usual, the final tally of both these counts will be published in this newspaper.

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